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SUBJECT: SOVIET METEOROLOGICAL ROCKET LAUNCHING IN ATLANTIC

REF: MOSCOW 3412

1. ON FEBRUARY 27, USREP WAS HANDED MAK059 QUOTE:
KNZZOL, EDZZNH, EHANYM, OLZZNB, OPZZNA, 201324 UUUUYN MAK305
201338 JJ MUHAYN CYZZBB KMZZOL, JJ EGZZHQ, MUHAYM, OYZZBB,
NOTAM USSR A 95/78 THE SOVIET RESEARCH VESSEL MUSSON WILL
LAUNCH METEOROCKETS FROM POINT 5245N 3530W ON 01 03 08
10 15 17 22 24 29 31 MARCH 1978.
TIME OF LAUNCHING 0100/055 GMT. DANGER AREA FOR
CANREPICAO, ATTN: MR. COLE, FURTHER TO OUR TELECON TODAY
AIRCRAFT AND NAVIGATION RADIUS 40 MILES, HEIGHT 60 KM. UNQUOTE/
JJ CYZZBB, JJEGZZNQ, CYZZBB 220905 UUUUYN
MAK 305 201338/NOTAL USSR A 35/78 QUOTE: THE SOVIET RESEARCH
VELLES USHAKOV WILL LAUNCH METEOROCKETS FROM THE FOLLOWING POINTS:
4546N 2249W 270178, 5245N 3530W, 35302, 01, 03, 08,
10, 15, 17, 22, 24 FEBRUARY 1978 AND ON 010378, 4800N 3000W
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030378. TIME OF LAUNCHING 0100/0500 GMT DANGER AREA HEIGHT UP TO
70 KM RADIUS 40 MILES FOR AIRCRAFT AND NAVIGATION. UNQUOTE
THE FOLLOWING ENQUIRY WAS SENT TO MOSCOW 2/23/78 BY
OTTAWA. SVC REF YOUR NOTAM A 35/78 AND A 95/78:
CONFIRM THAT LAUNCHES ARE SCHEDULED FOR 030378 FROM
5245N 3530W AND FROM 4800N 3000W. THANKS UNQUOTE

2. THE REPRESENTATIVE OF GOVERNMENT OF CANADA PROMPTLY NOTIFIED PRESIDENT KOTAITE OF ICAO. KOTAITE IN TURN INFORMED USSR ICAO REP MOROZOV. MOROZOV ASKED FOR CONFIRMATION OF LAUNCHES BUT HEARD NOTHING FROM USSR. WITH THAT INFORMATION KOTAITE CONTACTED USSE. KOTAITE ADVISES THAT LAUNCHES WERE MADE PURSUANT TO REQUEST FROM WMO AND IT IS THE BELIEF OF AIR NAVIGATION COMMISSION MEMBERS HERE IN ICAO THAT CONDUCT OF USSR COULD NOT BE INTERPRETED AS SINISTER. NOTE THAT US AMONG OTHERS WERE NOTIFIED BY NOTAM. REGRETTABLY 0100 - 0500 IN FIRING AREA IS PEAK PERIOD FOR AIR TRAVEL. PURSUANT TO DEMARCHE FROM KOTAITE, COMMUNICATION OF MARCH 2, 1978, WAS DELIVERED TO USREP/ICAO.

QUOTE: 2 MARCH 1978 AIDE-MEMOIRE TO ADDRESSES BELOW: AS A RESULT OF TELEPHONE COMMUNICATION WITH TRANSPORT HEADQUARTERS, THE FOLLOWING INFORMATIN WAS RECEIVED AT 1650Z TODAY: QUOTE: THE SHIFT SUPERVISOR GANDER ACC (WINSOR) HAS JUST SPOKEN TO HIS COUNTERPART AT SHANWICK ACC WHO WITHIN THE LAST FEW MINUTES HAD RECEIVED ADVICE FROM A MR. BOONE OF THE UNITED KINGDOM FOREIGN OFFICE TO EFFECT THAT ONLY ONE USSR RESEARCH VESSEL, THE MUSSON, WOULD BE FIRING AT 5245N 3530W BETWEEN 0700Z 0900Z ON WEDNESDAYS AND FRIDAYS. THE FIRING SCHEDULE FOR 3 MARCH HAS BEEN CANCELLED. NOTAM TO FOLLOW."

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QUOTE: I INFORMED FAA KDCA (BILLOW) ASKED HIM TO ADVISE FRED MOORE, NEW YORK ACC AND REQUEST NEW YORK TO SEPAK CYQX ACC 151-709-256-3819. FAA 426-8508. MR. GAUSTAD WAS PRESENT DURING MY DISCUSSIONS WITH OTTAWA AND WASHINGTON. E. L. BARCLAYN, SUPERINTENDENT, INTERNATIONAL OFFICE. ADDRESSEES: DR. A. KOTAITE, MR. B. GAUSTAD, MR. J. E. DOWNS, MR. O. I. GREEN, MR. ST. T. GRANT UNQUOTE JOINT DEMARCHE REF YOUR TELEGRAM TO BE MADE BY US, UK AND CANADA DELS AT ICAO WILL CONSIST OF COORDINATION WITH WMO AND USSR WITH REFERENCE TO SAFETY OF METEOROLOGICAL FIRINGS. HARPER

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